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To: FCcommunications@gofundme.com <FCcommunications@gofundme.com>
Sent: 2/2/2022 9:52:39 AM
Subject: Fwd: ***New Thread* Important Message from GoFundMe

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From: **FCcomms** <FCcommunications@gofundme.com>
Date: Tue, Feb 1, 2022 at 6:38 PM
Subject: Re: ***New Thread* Important Message from GoFundMe
To: KMKconvoy <KMKconvoy@protonmail.com>
Cc: Hconvoy2022 <Hconvoy2022@protonmail.com>, Tamaralich <tamaralich@protonmail.com>, Chad Eros <chaderos@gmail.com>

Hi there, Kristina,

Thank you so much for your speedy reply and for making this kind introduction to Chad. Working with your dedicated accountant will be a great next step.

Quick note - the initial withdrawal of funds will be present in your bank account tomorrow.

Chad, thank you for your support and glad to coordinate a call with you.

For efficiency and in advance, please reply to this email with a brief list of your questions and we'll be sure to be prepared with the best information to support you.

If you can also include replies for the straight-forward quantitative questions, that will help us expedite the process for you. This would include: number of participants reimbursed to date, sum of funds reimbursed to date, dollar amount needed at this point, etc.

Thanks so much, Chad, Kristina, and team.

Looking forward,

On Tue, Feb 1, 2022 at 2:34 PM 'KMKconvoy' via FC-communications <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:
Hello Redacted

I am including our Accountant, Chad Eros, to the thread as he is best to answer your inquiries.

Thank-you,

Kristina

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On Tuesday, February 1st, 2022 at 11:55 AM, FCcomms
<FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:

Hi Tamara,

Given how quickly everything is occurring, I wanted to follow up and ask a few additional questions. **Please provide answers within 24 hours** as we prepare to distribute your requested second transfer of funds. In order to do so, we will require responses to the questions below.

- Please confirm that funds raised will only go to reimburse the fuel costs of convoy participants:
 - (1) for their travel to Ottawa (not any other locations or with any other convoys)?
 - (2) who engage in peaceful and lawful protests, i.e., no vandalism of property, no blockades of roads and highways, etc.?
- Does the prior decision to not reimburse food and shelter expenses still hold?
- Do you plan on posting an update to the fundraiser to reiterate that protests should remain peaceful, you do not condone any acts or threats of violence and that individuals suspected of engaging in illegal activity during the protests will not be eligible to receive funds?
- You have requested another transfer of funds:
 - (1) How much of the initial \$1M of transferred funds has been distributed to participants and to how many participants?
 - (2) How much are you requesting for this second transfer of funds?
 - (3) Has the distribution plan for this second transfer of funds changed at all?
 - (4) Approximately how many participants do you anticipate this second transfer of funds will cover?
 - (5) Has an organization bank account been set up or are you requesting we transfer the funds to your personal bank account, as we did with the first \$1M?
- Have you begun considering which charitable organization(s) will receive the remaining funds after distribution to participants? Please provide us with their names before announcing publicly as we will first need to verify on our end that they are registered charities in good standing.

Lastly, we wanted to let you know that, as is our standard practice in potentially volatile situations like this, we will be reaching out to local law enforcement to obtain information on the individuals suspected of engaging in illegal activity during the protests. We will provide as much information as possible regarding the individuals to you so that you can ensure they do not receive a disbursement of money from your fundraiser. It is very important that funds are only distributed to those who engage in peaceful protesting as our platform cannot be used to fund violence, vandalism or illegal activities. This is against our Terms of Service.

On Mon, Jan 31, 2022 at 12:46 PM FCcomms <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:
Hi folks,

Are you able to confirm that funds raised will only go to reimburse the fuel costs of participants:
(1) for their travel to Ottawa (not any other locations or with any other convoys); and (2) who

engage in peaceful and lawful protests, i.e., no vandalism of property, no blockades of roads and highways?

We just want to make sure we are still aligned and there isn't anything that may be considered a violation of GoFundMe's Terms of Service.

Thanks in advance for your insight,

On Sun, Jan 30, 2022 at 12:38 PM FCcomms <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:
Sounds like a plan, thanks Kristina.

On Fri, Jan 28, 2022 at 3:05 PM 'KMKconvoy' via FC-communications <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:
Yes, the accountant did mention a separate account as well. We will discussing further in our next committee meeting and get back to you.

Sincerely,

Kristina

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On Friday, January 28th, 2022 at 2:45 PM, FCcomms <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:

Either way, we'll figure out a plan that works for everyone on the next payout.

It would be considered favorable if there was a committee or organization bank account set aside for this, mostly because we try to stray away from sending large sums of funds out to personal bank accounts. From what we've seen it's better on the individual if the funds are going to the committee's account so things don't get mixed up with personal finances or anything like that.

In cases like this we normally see groups set up an account that's in the committee's name.

That said, I believe Jared mentioned that Tamara was speaking with an accountant earlier. I would recommend leaning on them first and foremost to decide on the best way to move funds from the GoFundMe, to the bank, and then to truckers.

On Fri, Jan 28, 2022 at 2:32 PM 'KMKconvoy' via FC-communications <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:
Hello,

It is something we have discussed, but we are not sure on which direction to take or if there is a need, concerns about fees possibly coming out of donations, etc.

Would it be considered favorable to GoFundMe to open a separate bank account in situations like these?

If so, which type of bank account would be suggested for this magnitude of funds?

Thanks,

Kristina

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On Friday, January 28th, 2022 at 2:21 PM, FCcomms <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:

Good question, Kristina. The short answer is that we will be looking for more of the same from earlier.

1. An outline of how much more is needed and how many reimbursements you're anticipating.
2. It would also be helpful to know if the Finance Committee has created or plans to create a separate bank account for these types of reimbursements.

From there we can determine an amount for the next payout together and go from there.

On Fri, Jan 28, 2022 at 1:34 PM 'KMKconvoy' via FC-communications <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:
Thank-you for your email.

Tamara will review and get back to us on these matters.

In the meantime, what is expected from you to move us towards more funds being released?

Once we start refunding registrants, and can show you confirmation this is happening and the amounts being transferred out? Will that be sufficient?

Please clarify your process and expectations.

We anticipate a large influx of refunds and with the delays in deposits we don't want to have to wait days for each deposit, so I am trying to be proactive and maintain the cashflow that will be required for such an endeavor.

Sincerely,

Kristina

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On Friday, January 28th, 2022 at 12:19 PM, FCcomms <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:

Hi folks, thank you for posting that update last night. It looks like it was well received and touched on all the points supporters had been asking about.

A couple updates from the GoFundMe side of things today:

- Our Trust & Safety team is monitoring comments, as we saw some come through that were against our Terms. No action needed here but I wanted to give you all a heads up.
- I saw that the initial update about Patrick King was removed from the fundraiser, would you like me to reinstate it? Or add the statement about his lack of affiliation to the fundraiser description? Our Communications team has been pointing journalists who are asking about Pat King to that post, it'd be helpful to have that information stated somewhere so we can direct their questions to your statement.

Let me know what you think, I'm here to assist.

On Thu, Jan 27, 2022 at 3:34 PM FCcomms <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:
Perfect, thank you. Let me know if there's anything else I can help with today.

I'll be right here to assist,

On Thu, Jan 27, 2022 at 1:12 PM 'KMKconvoy' via FC-communications <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:
Thank-you for your cooperation.

Tamara addressed it in her live feed, but I will make sure she updates the page.

Sincerely,

Kristina

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On Thursday, January 27, 2022 1:05 PM, FCcomms <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:

All set, everyone. The first \$1,000,000 is officially on the way and should arrive at your bank soon, Tamara. You'll receive an automated "withdrawal alert" confirmation at your tbofconvoy2022@protonmail.com email confirming this.

I'll be keeping an eye on the back end to make sure everything goes through smoothly.

In the meantime, the next step is to post an update on your fundraiser to address the messages coming through with questions about the current status, logistics, etc. Updates are automatically sent to all donors so once you post, they will all receive an email about how their funds are being used. Something along these lines would cover all your bases:

"Thank you all again for your continued support! [XXXX- personalize]"

- The first \$1 million is on the way which will be used to cover fuel costs of participants who are peacefully protesting. [consider including update about the financial committee's involvement here]

- We are processing reimbursement requests as quickly as we can. Reimbursement will be based on filling out the registration form, receipts, and confirmation from your Road Captain.

- Prioritization is with Road Captains and direct teams first, then other semi trucks involved.

We will continue to work with GoFundMe on the release of the remaining funds after Truckers are reimbursed, and will share more information over the coming days/weeks around which charities are selected. We've received more support than we could've ever imagined and are taking time and care to ensure that 1) Truckers are reimbursed first and foremost and 2) the most impactful veterans organizations are chosen to receive any remaining funds.

Your generosity is going into action."

Let me know if you need any help doing so. We will also direct incoming media inquiries to this post and confirm with them that the first \$1M is on the way.

On Thu, Jan 27, 2022 at 9:55 AM 'KMKconvoy' via FC-communications

<FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:

They only sent it to Tamara, she read it to me and it is a very basic form. They could have certainly made it days ago with the information given.

It is a DocuSign. She will sign and I will let all know if there are any further problems.

I will get and forward a copy to you Jeff just incase any immediate action is needed.

Thank-you all,

Kristina

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On Thursday, January 27, 2022 9:15 AM, FCcomms <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:

Thank you, Kristina.

With that, we have all the information we need to fill out the Letter of Attestation. I sent this over to Tamara at tamaralich@protonmail.com and as soon as we have her signature we'll process the first payout. All information was pulled from your distribution plan so this should serve as just a confirmation of the plan, but let me know if you have any questions before signing.

Also Tamara, let me know if you're busy on the road today and have any trouble signing. I want to make sure we get this first payout out today and I'm here at any time to assist.

We updated the first payout amount to \$1,000,000 upon your request, no worries there.

I'll keep an eye out for your responses,

On Wed, Jan 26, 2022 at 4:52 PM 'KMKconvoy' via FC-communications
<FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:
Please see below and attached.

Sincerely,

Kristina Kenyon
604-556-1834

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On Wednesday, January 26, 2022 10:22 AM, FCcomms <FCcommunications@gofundme.com> wrote:

Hi Kristina, this is [Redacted] from GoFundMe. Jared has completely filled me in on the current happenings and I'm confident we can move quickly here. I'm moving us over to Gmail so that we don't run into trouble with emails not going through like before.

I have a couple quick questions for you before we spin up a Letter of Attestation, have you all sign, and get the first batch of funds out:

1. Can you please send me the link that truckers are using to register for reimbursement?
There is no link. We have attached this form previously in correspondence with Jared, but have attached it here for your review.
2. Can you let me know if part of the plan is to also reimburse for food and shelter? I noticed that mentioned in the fundraiser description and just wanted to check on that.

Our first and foremost assistance of funds are to be for fueling of the Semi trucks and direct teams. We did not know how large of a team we would have, and it is ever growing, so we thought to offer other expenses they may incur, should there be enough funds to do so. Based on speculated numbers of trucks we anticipate only being able to assist with fuels cost.

3. Can you share Pam's last name so that I can include her in the Letter of Attestation?

Pat stepped down very early on, as she predicted the magnitude that this may grow to and her time restraints.

Once I have this from you, our team will write a Letter of Attestation for you all to sign and then we can work on getting the first \$500K out.

**In a previous email to Jared, we had requested \$500,000 days ago. Now it is days later and with the funds taking up to 5 business days, we are now requesting \$1,000,000 to be released for initial amount to get these truckers reimbursed in a timely manner.

I'll keep an eye out for your response,